#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0403; FRL-9388-3]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The ICR, entitled: "EPA's Design for the Environment (DfE) Logo Redesign Consultations" and identified by EPA ICR No. 2487.01 and OMB Control No. 2070-new, represents a new request. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection that is summarized in this document. The ICR and accompanying material are available in the docket for public review and comment.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before [insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register].

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by docket identification (ID) number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0403, by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Document Control Office (7407M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics (OPPT), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001.

• *Hand Delivery*: OPPT Document Control Office (DCO), EPA East Bldg., Rm. 6428, 1201 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. ATTN: Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0403. The DCO is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the DCO is (202) 564-8930. Such deliveries are only accepted during the DCO's normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information.

Instructions: Direct your comments to docket ID number EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0403. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the docket without change and may be made available online at http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected through regulations.gov or email. The regulations.gov website is an "anonymous access" system, which means EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to EPA without going through regulations gov, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD-ROM you submit. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses.

*Docket*: All documents in the docket are listed in the docket index available at http://www.regulations.gov. Although listed in the index, some information is not publicly available, e.g., CBI or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available electronically at http://www.regulations.gov, or, if only available in hard copy, at the OPPT Docket. The OPPT Docket is located in the EPA Docket Center (EPA/DC) at Rm. 3334, EPA West Bldg., 1301 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC. The EPA/DC Public Reading Room hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number of the EPA/DC Public Reading Room is (202) 566-1744, and the telephone number for the OPPT Docket is (202) 566-0280. Docket visitors are required to show photographic identification, pass through a metal detector, and sign the EPA visitor log. All visitor bags are processed through an X-ray machine and subject to search. Visitors will be provided an EPA/DC badge that must be visible at all times in the building and returned upon departure.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical information contact: David DiFiore, Pollution Prevention Division (7406-M), Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; telephone number: (202) 564-8796; fax number: (202) 564-8892; email address: *DiFiore.David@epa.gov*.

For general information contact: The TSCA-Hotline, ABVI-Goodwill, 422 South Clinton Ave., Rochester, NY 14620; telephone number: (202) 554-1404; email address: TSCA-Hotline@epa.gov.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** 

I. What Information is EPA Particularly Interested in?

Pursuant to PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), EPA

specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the

proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information

will have practical utility.

2. Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimates of the burden of the proposed

collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions

used.

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to

respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or

other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g.,

permitting electronic submission of responses. In particular, EPA is requesting

comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of

specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very

small businesses affected by this collection.

II. What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does this Action Apply to?

*Title*: EPA's Design for the Environment (DfE) Logo Redesign Consultations.

ICR number: EPA ICR No. 2487.01.

OMB control number: OMB Control No. 2070-new.

ICR status: This ICR is for a new information collection activity. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers for certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: This information collection supports the consultation process by which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will select a revised logo and messaging for its Design for the Environment (DfE) program. A key goal of the Agency's DfE program is to work with businesses to voluntarily incorporate safer chemicals and other health and environmental considerations into the design of their products and processes. To achieve this goal, DfE relies on outreach activities and information dissemination to industry participants and the public, as well as non-governmental organizations, EPA Regions, federal government laboratories, and state and local governments. Effective outreach and communications are vital to program success. The DfE program must ensure that its logo communicates clearly its safer chemistry and pollution prevention goals.

DfE's current logo has remained unchanged since the program began in 1992.

The current DfE logo is dated and does not adequately convey and enable DfE's objective: To advance chemical-based products that are safer for people and the environment. A redesigned logo and messaging are needed to enhance communications

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and for the program to reach its potential. It is important for the redesign effort to be informed by consumers, manufacturing partners, retailers, and other key audiences.

To help ensure broad public participation in the redesign process and that EPA receives input from a diverse demographic, the Agency will conduct a number of focus group sessions to obtain feedback on several logo design concepts and associated wording. DfE will also sponsor two surveys, as discussed in Part B of the Supporting Statement, to gauge public awareness and understanding of the logo and its meaning before and after the redesign.

Responses to the collection of information are voluntary. Respondents may claim all or part of a notice confidential. EPA will disclose information that is covered by a claim of confidentiality only to the extent permitted by, and in accordance with, the procedures in TSCA section 14 and 40 CFR part 2.

*Burden statement*: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to range between 0.17 and 2 hours per response depending upon the type of respondent. Burden is defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

The ICR, which is available in the docket along with other related materials, provides a detailed explanation of the collection activities and the burden estimate that is only briefly summarized here:

Respondents/Affected Entities: Entities potentially affected by this ICR are individual adult consumers who are members of the general population.

*Estimated total number of potential respondents*: 198.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent: 1.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 66 hours.

Estimated total annual costs: \$ 2,035. This includes an estimated burden cost of \$ 0 and an estimated cost of \$ 0 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

### III. Are There Changes in the Estimates from the Last Approval?

Because this is a new ICR, change in burden is not applicable.

#### IV. What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another **Federal Register** document pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

# **List of Subjects**

Environmental protection, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: July 17, 2013.

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